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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Response to Amendment

The reply filed on 1/12/06 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

- Applicant has not responded to the 103 rejections based upon Leone 1987 in view of Hillmer, Leone in view of Hooley et al, or Box 1975 in view of Haugh et al. Although applicant has responded to the anticipation rejections of the base claims, there is no response to these 103 rejections. In particular, the teachings of Hillmer as proposed by the examiner appear to be particularly relevant to the supposed shortcomings of Leone as argued by applicant.

See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jeffrey D. Carlson whose telephone number is 571-272-6716. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri 8a-5:30p, (off on alternate Fridays).

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